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Dear Examiner Politzer:

Enclosed are a Status Letter, a copy of the previously faxed Preliminary Amendment, and a copy of our facsimile transmission report.

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Application No.: 09/770,942

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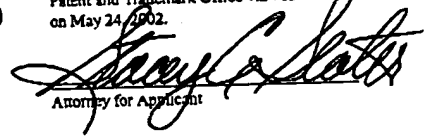
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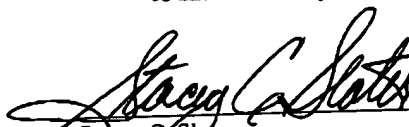
  
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Letter

As discussed in a telephone interview with Examiner Politzer, applicant notes that the Official Filing Receipt indicates a request for nonpublication was filed for the referenced application. Applicant did not file such a request. Applicant hereby requests that the records of The Patent and Trademark Office be corrected to show that no request for nonpublication was filed, and requests that the application be published under 35 U.S.C. § 122(b). Applicant has separately submitted a request for a corrected filing receipt.

No fee should be required for this filing. The director is hereby authorized to charge any fee that may be required in connection with this filing, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4550.

Respectfully submitted,

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STATUS LETTERCOMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
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Entry of the accompanying Preliminary Amendment (Exhibit A) and issuance of an  
Office action on the above-identified patent application are respectfully requested.

We received a Filing Receipt for the application on June 22, 2001. After that date, we  
have received nothing further concerning the examination of the application.

The Preliminary Amendment previously was faxed to the Patent and Trademark Office  
on May 24, 2002. (See attached, as Exhibit B, a facsimile TX Report confirming transmissi n to  
the facsimile number 703-746-4427 of 5 pages on May 24, 2002.) But the Preliminary  
Amendment apparently was misdirected. Entry at this time is requested.

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